

Amendments to the Claims:

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1. (currently amended) An optical storage medium ~~disk~~ comprising:
a first substrate ~~having a recording layer thereon, information to be recorded on the recording layer being reproducible with irradiation of a laser beam;~~
a recording layer formed on the first substrate to store first information as being reproducible with irradiation of a laser beam;
a reflective layer formed on the recording layer;
a second transparent substrate, the laser beam being incident to the second substrate in reproduction; and
a bonding layer provided between the first and the second substrates, the first and second substrates being bonded to each other by the bonding layer via the reflective layer, the bonding layer being made of ultraviolet-hardened resin including at least one type of photochromic dye, to store second information on the bonding layer, the second information being visible through the second transparent substrate when the photochromic dye is colored by being exposed to light of a first specific wavelength different from a wavelength of the laser beam, the photochromic dye thus colored remaining unchanged ~~the photochromic dye being stable against the laser beam.~~

Claim 2. (currently amended) The optical storage medium ~~disk~~ according to claim 1 further comprising a semi-transparent reflective layer formed on another recording layer provided on the second transparent substrate, the substrates being bonded to each other so that the reflective layers face each other at surfaces thereof opposite to other surfaces thereof formed on the recording layers.

Claims 3 – 6 (cancelled)

Claim 7 (new) The optical storage medium according to claim 1, wherein the second information is erased when the photochromic dye is discolored by being exposed to light of a second specific wavelength different from the first specific wavelength and the wavelength of the laser beam.

Claim 8 (new) The optical storage medium according to claim 1, wherein the second information that is visible through the second transparent substrate is graphic and/or character information.

Claim 9 (new) The optical storage medium according to claim 7, wherein the graphic and/or character information is formed through a mask and/or a file.

Claim 10 (new) The optical storage medium according to claim 7, wherein the graphic and/or character information is formed by an exposure system including a laser that emits a laser beam, at least one optical component situated along a light path of the laser beam, and a deflector to change a direction of the emitted laser beam.

Claim 11 (new) The optical storage medium according to claim 1, wherein the ultraviolet-hardened resin includes a photochromic dye that is colored when exposed to light of a specific wavelength of blue light and another photochromic dye that is colored when exposed to light of a specific wavelength of red light.